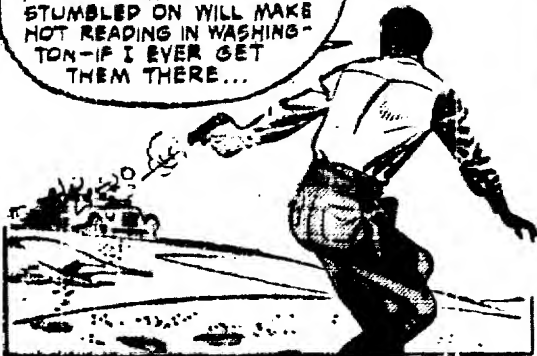


Editor's Note: MEHARA-A TAURES RACING CAMEL.

AYBE THE HOT SAND GOT ME MAD. MAYBE IT TOUCHED OFF A STREAK OF CRAZINESS THAT A GIRL I KNEW ALWAYS SAID I HAD. I BEGAN RUNNING-WILDLY, HELPLESSLY-AND AS I RAN, I BEGAN TO PRACTICE MY MARKSMANSHIP...

THOSE PLANS ON LAUNCHING CRADLES FOR RADIO-CONTROLLED MISSILES THAT I STUMBLED ON WILL MAKE HOT READING IN WASHINGTON-IF I EVER GET THEM THERE...



SLIPPED AND FELL ON TOP OF A BIG DUNE, AND FOUND MYSELF FACE TO WALL WITH CASTERTA. I COULD HAVE THROWN KISSES AT IT, IF MY MOUTH WASN'T SO PARCHED FOR WATER THAT I COULDN'T PUCKER UP...



BABY, YOU LOOK BETTER TO ME RIGHT NOW THAN A COMPOSITE OF TURNER, GRABLE AND LAMARR! LEGS, DIG DIRT! THAT HALF-TRACK IS COMING UP THE LAST HILL!



MADE IT IN THROUGH THE BIG WOODEN GATES OF THE DESERT SIDE OF THE WALL TWO SKIPS AND A JUMP AHEAD OF THE PURSUING SOLDIERS. I HOT-FOOTED IT ALONG THE NARROW STREETS AND ALLEYWAYS OF THE TOWN-

GOT TO...PRETTY UP... SO I CAN HIRE A PLANE OUT OF HERE FOR TANGIER. THERE'S AN AMERICAN CONSULATE LOCATED THERE. ONCE I GET THE PLANS INTO THE CONSUL'S HAND, I CAN FORT UP FOR A MONTH AND SLEEP!

THE HOTEL SUDAN WAS THE ONLY EUROPEAN STOPPING PLACE IN THAT SUN-BAKED SPOT OF HADES SOMEBODY NAMED CASERTA. I SIGNED A NAME ON THE REGISTER, WITH HALF AN EYE ON THE FIRST PAIR OF GAMS I'D SEEN IN SIX WEEKS.



GUESS I'M NOT TOO DEAD AFTER ALL! A SHOWER, SOME FOOD AND A COUPLE OF COCKTAILS WILL MAKE ME A NEW MAN.

DIDN'T KNOW IT THEN, BUT THE GAMS GOT UP AND FOLLOWED ME. ALL I WAS THINKING OF WAS A LONG SLEEP-AND THE PLANS THAT SEEMED TO BE BURNING A HOLE IN MY RIDING BOOTS, THEY WERE SO HOT!



IF I'M LUCKY, I'LL BE ABLE TO CHARTER A PLANE. IF I'M NOT-IT'S A LONG, LONG WALK TO TANGIER FROM HERE!

NOW THAT THE DOOR'S LOCKED, I CAN TAKE ME A GANDER AT THE MAP THAT SHOWS THE LOCATION OF THOSE LAUNCHING CRADLES. BROTHER-WITH AN ATOMIC BOMB IN THE WARHEAD OF THOSE BABIES, THEY COULD WRECK WASHINGTON, NEW YORK AND BOSTON WITHOUT HALF TRYING!



OUTSIDE MY ROOM, A GRIM SMILE TWISTED THE FULL RED LIPS OF THE DAME WITH THE LEGS. SHE COULDN'T HEAR ME, BUT SHE WAS NO HOPHEAD. SHE KNEW THAT A STRANGE AMERICAN MEANT TROUBLE-FOR HER TEAM!



HE ISS DIRTY, SWEATY! HE MUS' AVE COME EEN OFF THE DESERT. IF ZAT IS THE CASE, SILK'AD BETTER SEE THE CAPTAIN. HE WILL AVE ORDERS FOR SILK...

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DON'T CHOKEN EASILY, BUT THOSE PAPERS WERE A PASSPORT TO THE OTHER WORLD. IF I WERE FOUND WITH THEM ON MY PERSON, I HAD TO HIDE THEM - BUT WHERE? IF I WAS CAPTURED BY THOSE MORONS IN THE HALF-TRACK... THE CHILLS KEPT DOING A SABRE DANCE ON MY BACKBONE. I'M



5 I CAME TO A STOP IN FRONT OF A WALL MIRROR TO GANDER MY UNSHAVEN FACE. AN IDEA HIT ME. SLOWLY I RAN MY FINGERS OVER MY NEWLY SPRUNG BEARD...



HE GAMS WERE THERE IN THE HOTEL LOBBY WHEN I WENT SHOPPING. I LET MY EYES GO TRAVELLING AND I LIKED THE REST, TOO. HER EYES SAID SOME NICE THINGS TO ME, BUT I WASN'T HAVING ANY - NOT THEN, ANYHOW...



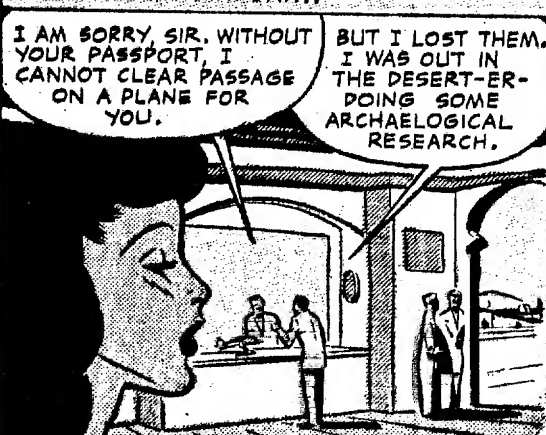
HAT I WANTED WAS A RAZOR. A GOOD, SHARP ONE. MY BEARD WAS TOUGH AND STUBBORN."



IT WAS ALONG TOWARD DUSK BY THE TIME I HAD SHOWERED AND SHAVED. I TOOK THE PLANS AND TOUCHED A MATCH TO THEM, THEN LAY ON THE BED AND WATCHED THEM BURN. I FELT A LOT BETTER, SEEING THAT PAPER CRINKLE UP IN FLAME...



SLEPT LIKE A BABY THAT NIGHT. MAYBE I EVEN SMILED IN MY SLEEP - I DREAMED ABOUT THE DAME WITH THE LEGS. IT WAS A NICE DREAM. NEXT MORNING I WENT OUT EARLY TO THE CASERTA AIRPORT...



YOU WILL HAVE TO WAIT UNTIL I CONTACT TANGIER FOR A PHOTOSTATIC COPY. IT WILL TAKE SOME TIME.



HE HAD A MODEL. SHE WAS HOLD-
ING A CIGARETTE AND THERE
WAS A SMILE ON HER LIPS AND IN
HER LAZULI EYES. HER HUSKY
VOICE SENT AN ELECTRIC BOLT
ALL THROUGH ME...

I AM SORRY TO BOTHER
YOU, BUT DO YOU
HAVE A MATCH?

MATCH?
OH! OH,
YEAH.
SURE,
HONEY!



ZAT A MAN MIGHT GET
A PASSPORT IN A 'URRY.
HE 'AS MONEY, ZAT
IS! DO YOU 'AVE
ANY MONEY,
MEESTAIR?



020009005348 I CAN'T STOP
TO WAIT FOR THE QUEEN
MARY. I HAD MONEY. SHE
COULD GET ME A PASSPORT. IT
WAS AS SIMPLE AS THAT. RE-
SIDES, SHE HAD A NICE VOICE...

IT IS SO NICE OF
YOU TO INVITE
ME TO 'AVE A
BITE TO EAT. YOU
ARE EEN A
'URRY, HEIN?

HURRY?
WELL - I
WAS. MAYBE
I'M NOT
SO SURE,
NOW.



YOU AMERICANES! ALWAYS
IN A 'URRY! I 'AVE SOME
FRENCH BRANDY UP EEN MY
ROOM. YOU WOULD LIKE
TO SAMPLE SOME, HEIN?
AFTER ALL THOSE
THIRSTY DAYS EEN
ZE DESERT?

I WOULD-
AFTER I GET
THAT PASSPORT
HOW ABOUT
IT, HONEY?



HE MADE A FACE AND SHRUGGED A LOVE-
LY SET OF SHOULDERS. THEY ALMOST
MADE ME FORGET THOSE LAUNCHING
CRADLE PLANS, BUT NOT QUITE. SHE LAUGHED,
AND AGAIN THE ELECTRICITY RAN THROUGH ME...

WELL, WHY NOT? YOU
CANNOT GET A PLANE
BEFORE TOMORROW.
WE WEE 'AVE
TONIGHT, HEIN?

YEAH,
TONIGHT-



HE LED ME INTO A REGULAR LABYRINTH OF ALLEYS
AND BACK STREETS. THEN WE TURNED INTO A
SMALL DOORWAY, WENT UP A DIRTY STAIRCASE
AND STEPPED INTO A SMALL SUITE OF ROOMS...

WE MAY 'AVE TO
WAIT A LEELE
BIT, YOU WEE
NOT MIND?

NOT WITH
YOU,
HONEY.



URE, SURE, I SHOULD HAVE
KNOWN IT WAS A COME-ON. BUT
HER LIPS WERE SO HEAR, I SORT
OF FORGOT ABOUT THINGS, AND THEN
SHE WAS IN MY ARMS...

KEES
ME!



HER LIPS WERE SOFT AND WARM. THEY COULDN'T SHOOT THE WORLD OUT FROM UNDER ME IN A BLAZE OF RED GLORY. BUT THAT BLACKJACK DID! I WENT DOWN AND OUT!



VERY GOOD, BORIS! YOU HIT HIM JUST RIGHT. NOT TOO 'ARD, AND NOT TOO SOFT. HE' WEEL RECOVER, SHORTLY...

DON'T KNOW HOW LONG I WAS OUT, BUT WHEN I OPENED MY EYES, I KNEW I WAS IN FOR SOMETHING. THERE WERE FOUR MEN IN FRONT OF ME, AND THEY WEREN'T SMILING. THEY HAD MOST OF MY CLOTHES, AND WERE TURNING THEM INSIDE OUT...



HE'S COMING AROUND.

I'LL MAKE HIM TALK!



OKAY, AMERICAN! WE ARE KNOWING YOU GOT PLANS. WE SEE YOU AT ROCKET GUN SITE IN DESERT, WHERE ARE PLANS?

GOLLY, SANTA CLAUS, I'D LOVE TO TELL YOU-BUT YOU GONE AN' HIT ME TOO HARD. I'VE DONE LOST MY MEMORY!

HEY LET ME PUT MY CLOTHES BACK ON, BUT THEY WERE PLENTY BOTHERED. THEY HAD TO FIND THOSE PLANS! THEY KNEW THAT IF I COULD GET THEM TO THE U.S. CONSUL IN TANGIER, THEY'D HAVE TO GET RID OF THOSE LAUNCHING CRADLES-



YOU DEED NOT LEARN ANYTHING, HEIN? YOU FOOLS! GO EEN THE NEXT ROOM. THE CAPTAIN WILL SPEAK TO YOU!

THE PLANS ARE NOT ON HIM! THEY ARE NOT IN HIS CLOTHES!

HEY LEFT ME ALONE IN A LOCKED ROOM. I'M NO GENIUS, BUT I KNEW THEY WEREN'T TALKING ABOUT THE PRICE OF COFFEE IN THAT NEXT ROOM. IF THERE WERE ONLY SOME WAY OUT...



SOLID STEEL! NO CHANCE TO GET OUT THIS WAY! AND THAT DOOR IS JUST AS SOLID!

HERE WAS A DRINKING GLASS IN THE ROOM WHICH THEY'D USED TO THROW WATER IN MY FACE TO REVIVE ME. I PUT THE RIM OF IT UP AGAINST THE WALL. IT FOCUSED THE SOUND WAVES OF THEIR VOICES...



WE'LL HAVE TO TORTURE HIM. A MAN CAN STAND ONLY SO MUCH PAIN. HE WILL TELL US WHERE THE PLANS ARE-OR HE WILL GO MAD WITH PAIN!

DIDN'T NEED ANY FURTHER HINT THAN THAT! I KNEW I WOULDN'T TELL THEM WHERE I HAD A COPY OF THOSE PLANS- BUT A MAN CAN'T HELP WHAT HIS TONGUE DOES IF REDHOT METAL IS BEING PRESSED TO HIS SKIN...



I'VE GOT TO GET OUT! SURE! IT'S EASY TO SAY- BUT HOW'M I GOING TO DO IT?

AND THEN I SAW IT! OF COURSE! THE DOOR TO THE ROOM OPENED INWARD!

BY REMOVING THE HINGE-PINS, I CAN SLIDE THE DOOR OFF THE HINGES, EVEN IF IT IS LOCKED FROM THE OUTSIDE. THEY'RE LOOSE--COMING OUT!



TO REMOVE THE DOOR AND SLIDE IT ASIDE WAS JUST A MATTER OF BULL STRENGTH...

I CAN HEAR THEIR VOICES. THEY'RE IN THE NEXT ROOM, STILL TALKING, GOOD! THAT GIVES ME A CHANCE TO GET OUT OF HERE...



DIDN'T WASTE ANY TIME. I HOTFOOTED IT DOWN THAT CORRIDOR AND CATAPULTED DOWN THE STAIRS. THEN I WAS OUT IN THE OPEN, MOVING BETWEEN THE STALLS OF THE SHOPPING SECTION...

I CAN'T GO BACK TO THE HOTEL. THEY'D DRAG ME OUT SO FAST I'D THINK I WAS IN A SPRINT RACE. I STILL HAVE MY MONEY, THOUGH--THEY DON'T CARE ANYTHING ABOUT THAT!



MAYBE THIS BISTRO IS WHAT I NEED. I HAVE TO HIDE UNTIL I CAN DOPE OUT SOME WAY OF GETTING A PLANE RIDE OUT OF CASERTA!



FULL BANKROLL TALKS IN ANY LANGUAGE. A SHIFTY-EYED BARKEEP LET SOME INTEREST SHOW WHEN I TOOK OUT THAT CHUNK OF CABBAGE AND RIFFLED IT CARELESSLY...

A BOTTLE OF YOUR BEST--AND PUT ANOTHER ONE ASIDE FOR ME. I'M GOING TO BE HERE A WHILE...



THEIR EYES SHOWED INTEREST, TOO. WELL, WHY NOT? IF I COULD GET SOMEBODY ON MY TEAM BEFORE THOSE MORONS CAME HUNTING ME, I MIGHT STILL GET OUT OF THIS JAM...



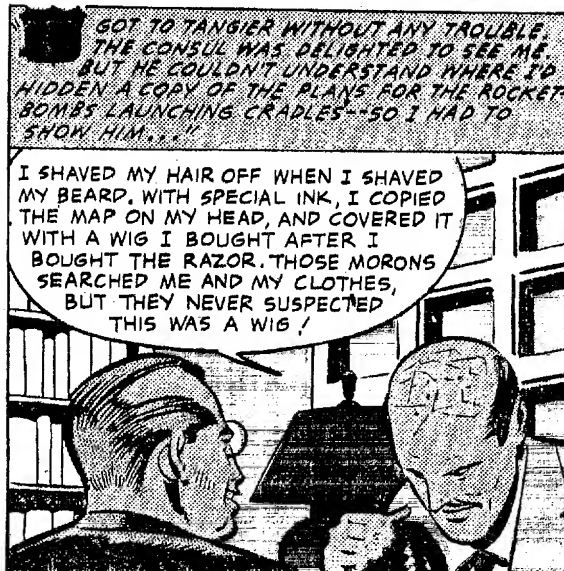
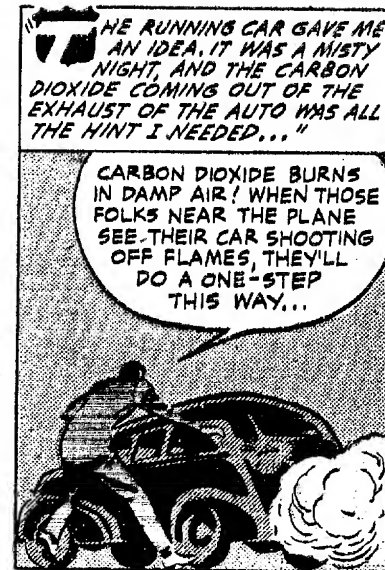
YOU WAN' FAYED COME SEET WERTH YOU? TALK, MAYBEE?

YEAH! YEAH, SIT DOWN, BABY. YOU AN' ME CAN DO BUSINESS, MAYBE. SIT DOWN!

OUT OF THE CORNER OF MY EYE, I SAW SILK AND THE BIG CHARACTER WITH THE BEARD PAUSE IN THE DOORWAY. I DIDN'T WAIT UNTIL THEY SAW ME. I PULLED FAYED DOWN ON MY LAP SO THAT SHE AID ME FROM THEIR ROVING EYES...



ORDER ANYTHING YOU WANT, HONEY. BUT--STAY WITH ME!



AND SO THE MAPS AND PLANS FOR THE LONG-RANGE ROCKET-BOMBS THAT HITLER'S SCIENTISTS HAD PERFECTED AT THE END OF WORLD WAR II, WERE ON THEIR WAY TO WASHINGTON. FIVE YEARS LATER, THOSE BOMBS, IMPROVED AND WORKED ON, WERE AS FAR AHEAD OF THE WORLD WAR II ROCKET AS THE AIRPLANE IS TO THE HORSEDRAWN CART! NOW, THANKS TO DONOVAN'S BRILLIANT COUP THOSE PLANS RESIDE IN A VAULT UNDER THE PENTAGON BUILDING IN WASHINGTON--AND THE NATION THAT BUILT THE LAUNCHING CRADLES HAS HASTILY DISMANTLED THEM, FEARFUL OF REPRISALS AND BANS FROM THE U.N. ASSEMBLY...

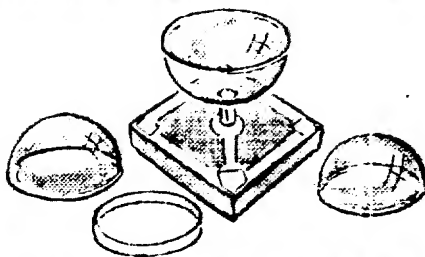
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